

Committee Meetings

HOME BUYING PROCESS SIMPLIFICATION—HUD'S PROPOSAL TO REFORM RESPA

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity held a hearing entitled "Simplifying the Home Buying Process: HUD's Proposal to Reform RESPA." Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—12TH REGULAR MEETING— CONFERENCE OF PARTIES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans held an oversight hearing on the Twelfth Regular Meeting of the Conference of the Parties (COP12) of the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES). Testimony was heard from Craig Manson, Assistant Secretary, Fish and Wildlife and Parks, Department of the Interior; and Rebecca Lent, Deputy Assistant Administrator, Fisheries, NOAA, Department of Commerce.

SMALL BUSINESS COMMUNITY—BURDEN OF REGULATIONS

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform and Oversight held a hearing on the Burden of Regulations on the small business community. Testimony was heard from Thomas Sullivan, Chief Counsel for Advocacy, SBA; and public witnesses.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS—INDIAN POINT ENERGY CENTER

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management held a hearing on Emergency Preparedness at the Indian Point Energy Center located in Buchanan, New York. Testimony was heard from Representatives Engel and Lowey; Joe Picciano, Acting Regional Director, Region 2, FEMA, Department of Homeland Security; Hubert Miller, Regional Administrator, Region 1, NRC; and the following officials of the State of New York: Ed Jacoby, Director, Emergency Management Office; Scott Vanderhoef, County Executive, Rockland County; Andrew Spano, County Executive, Westchester County; and Ed Diana, County Executive, Orange County.

MEDICARE—ELIMINATING BARRIERS TO CHRONIC CARE MANAGEMENT

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on Eliminating Barriers to Chronic Care Management in Medicare. Testimony was heard from Stuart Guterman, Director, Office of

Research, Development and Information, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS

Joint Hearing: Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs concluded joint hearings with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs to examine certain legislative recommendations and concerns of wartime service-connected disabled veterans, after receiving testimony from Edward R. Heath, Sr., Disabled American Veterans, Cold Spring, Kentucky.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2003

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Armed Services: to hold a closed briefing to examine planning for post-conflict Iraq and potential U.S. military operations in the Philippines, 9:30 a.m., SR-222.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to hold oversight hearings to examine the Federal Deposit Insurance System, 9:30 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on the Budget: to hold hearings to examine the President's Fiscal Year 2004 Budget proposal for Medicare and Medicaid, 3 p.m., SD-608.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: to hold hearings to examine issues involving Sport Utility Vehicle (SUV) safety, including data relating to vehicle rollovers, crash compatibility, and seatbelt use, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 10 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: to hold hearings to examine the proposed Fiscal Year 2004 Environmental Protection Agency budget, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance: business meeting to mark up the Miscellaneous Trade and Technical Correction Act of 2003, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: committee will meet to receive a perspective on the revitalization and reconstruction of post conflict Afghanistan, 10:30 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on Governmental Affairs: to continue hearings to examine consolidating intelligence analysis, focusing on a review of the President's proposal to create a Terrorist Threat Integration Center, 10 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on Indian Affairs: business meeting to consider the nomination of Ross Owen Swimmer, of Oklahoma, to be Special Trustee, Office of Special Trustee for American Indians, Department of the Interior, S.162, to provide for the use of distribution of certain funds awarded to the Gila River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community, and S. 222, to approve the settlement of the water rights

claims of the Zuni Indian Tribe in Apache County, Arizona; to be followed by hearings to examine the President's proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2004 for Indian Affairs, 10 a.m., SR-485.

Committee on Rules and Administration: business meeting to consider an original resolution authorizing certain expenditures for committee operations, 9:15 a.m., SR-301.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the Administration's proposed Fiscal Year 2004 Department of Veterans Affairs Budget, 4 p.m., SR-418.

House

Committee on Agriculture, to consider the following: Committee Budget Views and Estimates for Fiscal Year 2004 for submission to the Committee on the Budget; and further organizational matters, 1 p.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration and Related Agencies, on Office of Inspector General, 9:30 a.m., 2362A Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Interior, on Secretary of the Interior, 10 a.m., B-308 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Military Construction, on Army Construction, 10 a.m., and on Navy Construction, 2 p.m., B-300 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies, on American Battle Monuments Commission, 10 a.m., and on Selective Service System, 11 a.m., H-143 Capitol.

Committee on Armed Services, to continue hearings on the fiscal year 2004 National Defense Authorization budget request, 10 a.m., and to hold a hearing on U.S. forward-deployed strategy in the European Theater, 2 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on the Budget, hearing on the Department of Health and Human Services Budget Priorities Fiscal Year 2004, 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, Subcommittee on 21st Century Competitiveness, to mark up H.R. 444, Back to Work Incentive Act of 2003, 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "Procurement and Property Mismanagement and Theft at Los Alamos National Laboratory," 1 p.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet, hearing entitled "Health of the Telecommunications Sector: A Perspective from the Commissioners of the Federal Communications Commission," 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Insurance, and Government Sponsored Enterprises, hearing entitled "It's Only FAIR: Returning Money to Defrauded Investors," 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, hearing on Russia's Policies Toward the Axis of Evil: Money and Geopolitics in Iraq and Iran, 10:15 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet, and Intellectual Property, oversight hearing on "Peer-to-Peer Piracy On University Campuses," 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, to consider H.R. 534, Human Cloning Prohibition Act of 2003, 2:30 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Small Business, to meet for organizational purposes, 1:30 p.m., followed by a hearing on the Small Business Administration's Budget for Fiscal Year 2004, 2 p.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, to mark up the following: Committee Budget Views and Estimates for Fiscal Year 2004 for submission to the Committee on the Budget; H.R. 866, Wastewater Treatment Works Security Act of 2003; the Over-the-Road Bus Security and Safety Act of 2003; the Rail Passenger Disaster Family Assistance Act of 2003; and other pending business, 11 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Aviation and the Subcommittee on Railroads, joint hearing on Planes, Trains, and Intermodalism: Improving the Link Between Air and Rail, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Ways and Means, hearing on the Administration's Trade Agenda, 10:30 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, Subcommittee on Terrorism and Homeland Security, executive, hearing on Terrorist Threat Integration Center, 2 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

Joint Meetings

Joint Economic Committee: to hold hearings to examine the Economic Report of the President, 2:30 p.m., SD-628.